

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough consideration provided the present application. Claims 1-20 are now present in the application. Claims 1, 7 and 12 have been amended. Claims 16-20 have been added. Claims 1, 7 and 12 are independent. Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-15 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Kraft et al, U.S. Patent No. 6,084,585. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In light of the foregoing amendments to the claims, Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection has been obviated and/or rendered moot. As the Examiner will note, independent claims 1, 7 and 12 have been amended to address the Examiner's rejection. Independent claim 1 recites "a UI (User Interface), which accepts an accessing request from the user and automatically provides the user at least one appropriate prompt for the user to follow the prompt to send the accessing request for the computer readable data in one action so that the user only needs to follow the prompts to complete the accessing request" and "a categorizing module, which automatically determines the type of the computer readable data according to the accessing request". Independent claims 7 and 12 recite "accepting an accessing request from the user", "automatically providing the user at least one appropriate prompt in

response to the accessing request so that the user can follow the prompt to send an accessing request for the computer readable data in one action", and "determining the type of the computer readable data automatically according to the accessing request". Applicants respectfully submit that the combinations of elements/steps set forth in claims 1, 7 and 12 are not disclosed or suggested by the Kraft reference relied on by the Examiner.

Kraft teaches a computer system providing a graphical user interface (GUI) to assist a user in completing electronic forms. Specifically, it relates to a system providing a user direct access to fields on electronic forms. As disclosed in column 5, lines 17-24 of Kraft, for example, the user accesses the menu field and selects one or more of the menu entries corresponding to the information the user wishes to enter. Access to the menu field is accomplished by the user activating the keyboard or mouse to select one menu entry from the menu field for entry into the row entry template.

However, the present application discloses an intuitive computer data management system/method automatically providing at least one appropriate prompt to the user. Therefore, the user only needs to follow the prompt to send the accessing request for the computer readable data without memorizing any operational procedure or hot key combination. Accordingly, the function disclosed in the present application and the method of achieving the same are different from those of Kraft.

In addition, as disclosed in column 5 lines 1-10 of Kraft, the path 210 passes the sequence to one of four possible paths (namely, data entry path,

expand form path, contract form path, or submit form path) upon detecting the user action. This is different from the categorizing module recited in claim 1 and the step of “determining the type of the computer readable data automatically according to the accessing request” as recited in claims 7 and 12. The categorizing module and the above step are to automatically determine the type of the computer readable data according to the accessing request so as to accomplish better computer data management.

Since Kraft fails to teach each and every limitation of amended independent claims 1, 7 and 12, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims clearly define over the teachings of Kraft. Due to their dependence, the remaining dependent claims should also be in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102 are respectfully requested.

Additional Claims

Additional dependent claims 16-20 have been added for the Examiner's consideration.

Dependent claim 16 recites “the type of the computer readable data including at least two of a document file, an e-mail message file, and an image file”. Dependent claims 17 and 18 recites “determining the type of the computer readable data to be at least two of a document file, an e-mail message file, and an image file”. Applicants respectfully submit that Kraft fails to teach the above combinations of elements/steps as recited in claims 16-18.

In particular, Kraft fails to teach the type of the data entry path, expand form path, contract form path, and submit form path includes “at least two of a document file, an e-mail message file, and an image file” as recited in claim 16. Kraft also fails to teach determining the type of those paths “to be at least two of a document file, an e-mail message file, and an image file” as recited in claims 17 and 18.

Dependent claims 19 and 20 recite “all types include at least two of a document file, an e-mail message file, and an image file. As mentioned, Kraft fails to teach that the type of the data entry path, expand form path, contract form path, and submit form path includes at least two of a document file, an e-mail message file, and an image file. Accordingly, Kraft fails to teach all types of the computer readable data include at least two of a document file, an e-mail message file, and an image file as recited in claims 19 and 20.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 16-20 are allowable due to the additional recitations included in these claims, as well as due to their respective dependence, either directly or indirectly, on independent claims 1, 7 and 12.

Favorable consideration and allowance of additional claims 16-20 are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the Office Action, and that as such, the Examiner is respectfully requested to send the application to Issue.

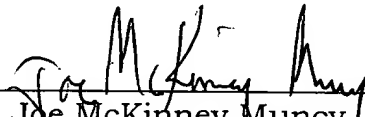
In the event there are any matters remaining in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Joe McKinney Muncy, Registration No. 32,334 at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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